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Serial No.: 09/628,472

Examiner: Betty J. Forman

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Group Art Unit: 1634

Title: ARRAY BASED METHODS FOR SYNTHESIZING NUCLEIC ACID MIXTURES

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

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See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

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() Amendment/Reply
() Affidavit(s)/Declarations(s)
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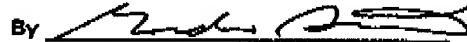
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1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114 (in duplicate)

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